

**COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION**  
(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

**Chairman:** Mr. Timothy J. Callanan, Council Member District No. 2

A meeting of the **COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on **Tuesday, May 11, 2010**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:12 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Mr. Joshua Gruber, Assistant County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council. Committee Member Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8 was excused.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Callanan called the meeting to order. Mr. Colin Martin provided the Invocation and Committee Member C. Davis led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Callanan: "We have a guest here this evening. Her name is Miss Kathleen Bounds. She would like a few minutes to discuss the Heart Gallery, which is the information that is in the hallway outside. Ms. Bounds?"

Ms. Kathleen Bounds: "Thank you Mr. Chairman, Council members and guests of Council this evening. Tonight I have on my Foster Care Review Board hat. I speak to you on behalf of youngsters who are legally free for adoption and are looking for loving, forever families. I hope, if you haven't had the opportunity to take a look at the photographs in the hallway, you will take a few moments to do that. There is also information in regards to the Heart Gallery, which if you or a friend or neighbor or business associate would like more information on these youngsters who would love to have a forever family, please do contact the Foster Care Review Board folks in Columbia. We do have a few, each of the Council members have a little magnetized clip for your refrigerator just as a reminder. There are a few left out in the basket and I will be replenishing them. I can tell you that these youngsters have been through some situations which most of us could not even imagine. But they are all our youngsters and as Garrison Keeler has said, 'Nothing you ever do for a child is wasted'. I'll let you return to your business. Thank you again, Mr. Chairman and on a personal note, as a citizen of Berkeley County, thank each of you for what you do on behalf of all of us."

Chairman Callanan: "Thank you, Ms. Bounds"

Committee Member Call: "Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Callanan: "Yes, Mr. Call"

Committee Member Call: "I'm going to take just a minute of your time and introduce a guest we have with us tonight. His name is Sir Jordan Willey and he is a third grader at Boulder Bluff Elementary School. He is a guest of Roxanne Willey. We are going to let him be a Council cadet tonight. How about that? Thank you Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Callanan: "Welcome and I'd also like to recognize some members from the local chapter of ABATE who are in the audience. A few of them regularly attend this meeting and we appreciate that, but I see there is a few additional here tonight so thank you and thank you for all that you do. With that being said, I'll go on to the first item on the agenda which is the approval of minutes from April 12, 2010 and April 26, 2010."

Committee Member Farley: "So move"

Committee Member C. Davis: "Second"

Chairman Callanan: "I have a motion and a second. Are there any corrections to these minutes?"

Committee Member Pinckney: "Yes, Mr. Chairman. On the April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, I too voted "Nay" to deny the increase on the Central Berkeley Wastewater Treatment Plant."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok, is there any other corrections? (No response) All right, with no other corrections, I'll take a vote. All those in favor of approving the minutes as amended, signify by saying 'Aye'. (Ayes) Opposes 'Nay'? (No response) The minutes stand approved as amended."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve** the minutes as amended. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Callanan: "First on the agenda, we have Ms. Johnette Connelley."

**A. Ms. Johnette Connelley, Director of Finance, Berkeley County Water and Sanitation,** Re: Transfer of funds from various line items in various departments.

Ms. Connelley: "Good evening Council. I'm here to ask for permission to handle several transfers. Towards the end of the year, we like to try to make sure we true up the accounts where if we are having shortfalls in certain accounts, and that helps me with my trend data for our future budgeting. You should have the details in your packet, so I am here to answer any questions. I'll go briefly through each one. The first transfer is for Solid Waste and it is to move

\$20,000 from Daily Cover Posi-Shell to Engineering Services and it is basically just to pay for some additional engineering services with Ross Sinclair when they were working with Blue Source for the contract for Landfill Gas to Energy Project. The second one is for Solid Waste as well, and it is to move \$44,000 from Equipment Maintenance to Vehicle Maintenance. It was basically the cost for the aging fleet, mostly the 10 roll off trucks. My understanding is that Mark says the maintenance has been higher on those and they are aging. We didn't have as much equipment maintenance as we did for the vehicles this year. The very last transfer we are requesting is for the treatment plant. That is to move \$20,000 from maintenance contracts and \$30,000 from overtime to system maintenance for the chemical plant. I'll just read the justification that is here for that reason. We experienced problems with the Headworks Scrubber System. The bleach storage tank began to fail and we were forced to purchase small totes of bleach until the tank could be replaced. The cost of the bleach was higher per gallon. It was \$1.08 for the totes, rather than the bulk rate of \$.74 we were paying when the storage tank was in service. Flows at the Lower Berkeley Plant increased 10%, thus resulting in higher quantities of bleach, caustic and polymer being used this year. So we have had some extra cost there for maintenance for the Treatment Plant. Those are the three transfers that we are requesting."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok. What is the pleasure of Council?"

Committee Member Fish: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Pinckney: "Second"

Chairman Callanan: "I've got a motion and a second. Discussion? (No response) I just have one quick question with regards to Ross Sinclair. Do we have an existing Council approved contract with them? An open contract with them, kinda like what we have with the Engineering Contract? Is that how it works?"

Ms. Connelley: "Well, this was a separate project with the Landfill Gas, but we do have a contract for consulting services with Ross Sinclair that we have every year."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok, but this isn't part that?"

Ms. Connelley: "This isn't part of that, no sir."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok, is there any further discussion? All those in favor signify by saying 'Aye'. (Ayes) Opposes 'Nay'? (No response) Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **approve** the transfer of \$20,000 from Daily Cover Posi-Shell to Engineering Services, \$44,000 from Equipment Maintenance to Vehicle Maintenance and \$50,000 from Maintenance Contracts & Overtime to System Maintenance – Chemical Plant. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

**B. Review prior to Second Reading of Bill No. 10-12, an ordinance** providing for the adoption of fiscal year 2010-2011 (**beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011**) budgets for the Berkeley County Water and Sanitation and Berkeley County Water and Sanitation Solid Waste Fund; establishing operational, debt service, and capital improvement budgets for water and sewer; and to provide for the expenditures of revenues coming into Berkeley County Water and Sanitation and the Berkeley County Water and Sanitation Solid Waste Fund during the fiscal year, and to amend the Code of Ordinances, Berkeley County, South Carolina, setting rates, charges and penalties for Water and Sewer and Solid Waste Service by Berkeley County Water and Sanitation.

Chairman Callanan: "This was amended at the last Committee meeting to read 'With no increase in rates and fees.'"

Committee Member Fish: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Farley: "Second"

Chairman Callanan: "I have a motion and a second and I just wanted to add one little announcement, there will be a budget workshop next Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Supervisor's Conference Room on this. With a motion and a second, do we have any discussion? (No response) With no discussion, I will take the vote. All those in favor signify by saying 'Aye'. (Ayes) Opposes 'Nay'? (No response) Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Farley to **approve** prior to **Second Reading, Bill No. 10-12**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

**C. Review prior to Third Reading of Bill No. 10-09, an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Berkeley County, South Carolina, setting rates, charges and penalties for Water and Sewer Service provided by the Berkeley County Water and Sanitation.**

Committee Member Pinckney: "Move for approval"

Chairman Callanan: "This is the issue with regards to the large customers. I have a motion. Do I have a second?"

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Second"

Chairman Callanan: "I have a motion and a second. Any discussion? (No response) With no further discussion, all those in favor signify by saying 'Aye' (Ayes) Opposes 'Nay' (No Response) Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Pinckney and seconded by Committee Member Schurlknight to **approve** prior to **Third Reading, Bill No. 10-09**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **adjourn** the Committee on Water & Sanitation meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 6:22 pm.

June 14, 2010  
Date Approved

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**AGENDA**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**April 12, 2010**

**April 26, 2010**

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May 5, 2010  
S/Barbara B. Austin, CCC  
Clerk of County Council